

IN THE ABSTRACT:

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Please DELETE the Abstract in its entirety and substitute the attached new Abstract.

An girder bridge protection device, ~~comprises~~The girder protection device includes a sacrifice means includingmember having girders which are installed on an upper surface of a bridge seat of an abutment or pier to support a bridge floor, a symmetrical main support member which connects~~connecting~~ two of the girders and has~~having an elongated tubular~~ a pipe-shaped configuration, and an auxiliary support member which projectings from one surface of a center portion of the main support member in a direction perpendicular to an axial direction of the main support member; and a restraining means~~member~~ secured to the bridge seat of the abutment or pier and including~~having~~ an accommodating section which~~accommodating~~es the auxiliary support member such that the auxiliary support member is separated from the accommodating section in a forward and rearward direction and in a leftward and rightward direction, thereby controlling the behavior of the auxiliary support member.